## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

LEONARD DORANCE OSTRANDER,

Case No. 23-10768

Plaintiff,

Honorable Matthew F. Leitman

Magistrate Judge Elizabeth A. Stafford

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ADAM GILLEY, et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S THIRD AND FOURTH MOTIONS TO APPOINT COUNSEL AND HIS REQUESTS FOR EXPEDITED HEARING OF THE MOTIONS [ECF NOS. 42, 43, 47, 48]

Plaintiff Leonard Dorance Ostrander moves a third and fourth time for appointment of counsel.<sup>1</sup> ECF No. 42; ECF No. 47. He also moves for expedited hearing of his motions. ECF No. 43; ECF No. 48. The Court denied his earlier motions for appointment of counsel without prejudice, reasoning that Ostrander has not shown exceptional circumstances meriting appointment of counsel during this pretrial stage. ECF No. 10; ECF No. 26. This conclusion has not changed. Thus, Ostrander's third

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Honorable Matthew F. Leitman referred the case to the undersigned for all pretrial matters under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). ECF No. 8.

and fourth motions to appoint counsel (ECF Nos. 42 & 47) and his requests for expedited hearing of the motions (ECF Nos. 43 & 48) are **DENIED**WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Elizabeth A. Stafford
ELIZABETH A. STAFFORD
United States Magistrate Judge

Dated: August 28, 2024

## **NOTICE TO PARTIES ABOUT OBJECTIONS**

Within 14 days of being served with this order, any party may file objections with the assigned district judge. Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(a). The district judge may sustain an objection only if the order is clearly erroneous or contrary to law. 28 U.S.C. § 636. "When an objection is filed to a magistrate judge's ruling on a non-dispositive motion, the ruling remains in full force and effect unless and until it is stayed by the magistrate judge or a district judge." E.D. Mich. LR 72.2.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that this document was served on counsel of record and any unrepresented parties via the Court's ECF System to their email or First Class U.S. mail addresses disclosed on the Notice of Electronic Filing on August 28, 2024.

s/Julie Owens
JULIE OWENS
Case Manager